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Paper manufacturing industry

* 332 Q.—SRI M. ETHIRAJALU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(a) whether any representation has been received for starting a paper manufacturing industry at Tindivanam in South Arcot district; and

(b) if so, the action taken or proposed to be taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

SRI M. ETHIRAJALU : சார், திண்டிவனத்தில் அல்லாது வேறு ஜில்லாக்களிலிருந்து ஏதாவது மனுக்கள் வந்திருக்கின்றனவா? அப்படியானால் அதற்கு என்ன நடவடிக்கை எடுக்கப்பட்டது?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : மனுக்கள்தான் வந்து கொண்டிருக்கின்றன. ஒருவரும் அதை வைக்கமாட்டேன் என்கிறார்கள். நாங்கள் நிறைய மனுக்களையெல்லாம் ரெகமெண்ட் பண்ணி லைசன்சு கூட வாங்கிக் கொடுத்திருக்கிறோம். ஒரு கம்பெனியைத் தவிர வேறு ஒருவரும் அதில் முயற்சி எடுத்துக் கொண்டதாகத் தெரியவில்லை.

Madras Zoo

* 333 Q.—VIDWAN T. MUTHUKANNAPPAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any proposal to shift the Madras Zoo to some other place; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the stage at which the matter now stands?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It is reported that there is not enough space for the animals to move about in the present premises of the Zoo. The request of the Corporation to shift the zoo is under the consideration of the Government.

VIDWAN T. MUTHUKANNAPPAN : எந்த இடத்திற்கு மாற்றுவதாக இருக்கிறது?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : Guindy Park க்கு மாற்றுவதாக உத்தேசிக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறது.

Prize Bonds

* 334 Q.—DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Commissioner of Tiruvannamalai Municipality issued instructions on 27th March 1961 to the Municipal servants to buy Prize Bonds?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : Yes, Sir.

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DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Sir, did the Commissioner obtain the prior permission of the superiors before he issued that circular?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : The Collector of North Arcot issued instructions requesting the subordinates to purchase prize bonds and try their luck. Following this, he has given only instructions.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Is the sale of these prize bonds to be effected on a voluntary or compulsory basis, Sir?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : It was voluntary. The prize bonds were bought willingly by the employees there.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Is it a fact, Sir, that the Commissioner of the said municipality fixed the amount or the value of the prize bonds that each category of subordinates should purchase?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : He did it in such a way so that others may not overdo things.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Is it a fact, Sir, that the Commissioner did not take into consideration the economic status of people like scavengers when he compelled these people to purchase the prize bonds?

THE HON. SRIMATHY LOURDHAMMAL SIMON :They were not compelled. They were only instructed. And, as I already stated, they bought these bonds willingly.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Next question.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : I want to know, Sir, since it is a delicate matter.........

MR. CHAIRMAN : Order, order. I have passed on to the next question.

Supply of catamarans

* 335 *Q.*—VIDWAN T. MUTHUKANNAPPAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to supply catamarans and ready made country boats to the fishermen through Co-operative Societies; and

(*b*) if so, the stage at which the matter now stands?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : (*a*) & (*b*) There is no proposal to supply catamarans to fishermen through Co-operative Societies. However, the Scheme for the grant of long-term loans o the members of Marine Fishermen Co-operative